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Errico et al.

Patent No.: 7,186,268

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For: AXIALLY COMPRESSIBLE ARTIFICIAL
INTERVERTEBRAL DISC HAVING
ACAPTURED BALL AND SOCKET JOINT
WITH A SOLID BALL AND RETAINING
CAP

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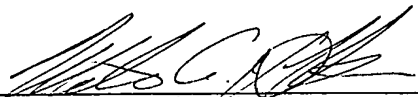
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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 1, line 61, delete the word "consists" and insert the word "consist".
Column 2, line 66, insert a comma --,-- after the word "would".
Column 5, line 20, delete the word "uses" and insert the word "use".
Column 5, line 58, delete the word "share" and insert the word "shares".
Column 20, line 17, delete the word "share" and insert the word "shares".
Column 22, line 47, delete the word "decreases" and insert the word "decrease".
Column 23, line 4, delete the comma --,-- after the word "dimension".
Column 28, line 3, delete the comma --,-- after the word "element".
Column 28, line 3, delete the word "have" and insert the word "has".
Column 29, line 19, delete the word "are" and insert the word "is".
Column 39, line 64, delete the comma --,-- after the word "should".
Column 51, line 28, delete the phrase "as shown in".
Column 51, line 28, delete the word "curvet" and insert the word "curvate".
Column 55, line 13, delete the phrase "has a" after the phrase "has a".
Column 55, line 15, delete the phrase "11a to 11e" and insert the phrase "12a to 12e".
Column 56, line 53, delete the word "has" and insert the word "have".
Column 57, line 20, insert the word "and" after the semi-colon --;--.
Column 57, line 39, insert a hyphen "-" between the words "compression" and "locked".

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